(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this behalf;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government has asked the Deputy Commissioner to select a place for the purpose;

(d) if so, at what stage the matter stands ?

Sri K.H.PATIL,)Minister for Agriculture and Forests).–

(a) No such reference from the District Development Council or other public has been received by Government.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

(c) No.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.

It is however, envisaged to establish Agricultural Schools in the State at the rate of one School in each District on a phased programme. A proposal for starting Agricultural Schools during 1973–74, including one at Chickamagalur District has been approved by Government and orders have since issued.

REORGANISATION OF SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

5. (15) Sri G. PUTTASWAMY (Mudigere).— Will the Minister for Community Development and Social Welfare be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that the reorganisation of the Social Welfare Department is absolutely necessary ;

(b) if so the action the Government has taken in this behalf ?

Sri M. MALLIKARJUNASWAMY (Minister for Community Development and Social Welfare).—

(a) The Department of Social Welfare at the State Level, the Divisional Level and the Institutional Level has been re-organised in G. O. No. S. W. D. 100 S. E. T. 70 dated 24th December 1970. Further reorganisation of the Department will be considered as and when found feasible.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (a)